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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Kazuyuki Awata, et al.

Serial No.: **09/866,655**

Group Art Unit: **3682**

Filed: **May 30, 2001**

Examiner: **Julie K. Smith**

For: **CASE MEMBER MOUNTING STRUCTURE**

Attorney Docket: **010645**

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: **December 11, 2002**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on August 15, 2002, payment for one month's extension of time being attached, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

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1. (Amended) A case member mounting structure comprising
a case member fitted onto a device body,
an outer circumferential portion of the case member being fastened to said device body by
a plurality of fasteners,
the case member and the device body making a first contact between a contact surface of
the outer circumferential portion of the case member and an outer wall surface of said device
body on which said case member is fitted;